Inventorship

Claim amendments require the naming of an additional inventor as set forth on the included declaration.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 (paragraph 6)

In the Office Action, a rejection was made under 35 U.S.C. §112 (paragraph 6) to certain informalities in the claims that have been addressed in the claims.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 as being anticipated by either Imran '985 or Zando-Azizi '336. In each of these references there is an occlusion device both proximal of the lesion or treatment zone and distal of the treatment zone. These references teach the use of two occlusion devices (balloons) to set up a closed chamber for the therapy. The claims have been amended to require one and only one occlusion device. The claims expressly exclude the use of dual occlusion balloon embodiments so that the applied references are no longer covered by the amended claims.

CONCLUSION

All of the claims remaining in this application should now be seen to be in condition for allowance. The prompt issuance of a notice to that effect is solicited.

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